THE COWS ARE TO BLAME.

AN ARSON CASE GROWS OUT OF A FARMER'S TRESPASSING CATTLE.

Dave Husted Impounds His Neighbor's Live-Stock and Causes Trouble—The Church Takes the Matter in Hand but Falls to Reconcile the Disgruntled Agriculturists and Barns Begin to Burn.

BRIDGEPORT, CORD., Feb. 18.—The famous Conbarn-burning case, known for the past decade in the court records of Fairfield County by title: "Mead vs. Husted," has recently manifested stens of revival in a most amusing manner. David S. Husted, the alleged barn-burner, is a farmer in Greenwich. He is a big black-whiskered bachelor who is supposed to be well-to-do. The which the law has brought him has made him one of the test-known men in his on and quite a social lion among the spinsters of Greenwich. A motion for a new trial which is is now pending has during the past two weeks been put off from day to day, and as regularly as the mornings have come around the gallant "Dave" led has put in his appearance with a little party of Greenwich ladies in his train. He takes them to the court-house, shows them all the public offices. them Blackstone in the law library, and points out to them the "distinguished individuals" whom they meet in their rounds. But his great delight is to lead them into the court-room, where immediately becomes the cynosure of all eyes, for everybody knows the piratical-looking farmer.

"There's Husted, of Greenwich, that's the man secused of barn-burning," and like ;whispered exclamations are heard on every hand. This oriety evidently pleases Farmer Husted, and it causes the ladies to look upon him as a truly great man. Their respect and admiration for him are increased by the fact that he never falls to wind up the outing by dining them at a little restaurant cent to the court house.

Alexander Mead, whose barns have been destroyed by fire half a dozen times in as many years, and who charges Hosted with firing them, is likewise a farmer in Greenwich. Mead and Husted are neighbors and have been members of the same little church for years. The families have quarrelied with one another for three generations. An uncle of Mea! owned property adjoining the Husted estate. The former's cattle, pigs and positry used to trespass on Farmer Dave's land and injure his crops. Finally he locked up a herd of trespassing cows, but while he was sway his neighbor released them. A second time they were impounded and then Dave caught his neighbor in the act of remove the cattle. He intercepted them and compelled his neighbor to pay poundage. This incident comprises the first act of hostility in the present generation. The second came soon after when Dave Husted's new house caught fire and burned to the ground. His neighbor said that he could have put out the fire with a pail of water, but that he falled to do so because Dave had formulen him to go on his land. Laier the opposition family gave testimony which prevented Dave from collecting his insurance.

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EXAMINED BY A BEGGAR.

Joseph Arnold Questions Rude Men who Buffeted Him and Tore His Trousers.

the sympathy of the passengers of a Tatrd avenue elevated car by teiling them that he had just got out of Sing Sing, where he said he had served three years, and col-lected \$3 to get to his home in Philadelphia, was a prisoner in Jefferson Market Saturday. He had visited the White Elephant three times to beg, and was thrown out each time. His trousers were torn after first being ejected, and a gentieman sent him to the Astor House to get another pair. Then he re-turned to the White Eiephant, and was again put

Between 8 and 9 A. M. Saturday out. Between 8 and 9 a. m. Saturday he was seen on Broadway begging from John Jacob Astor and his son. Mr. Astor gave him a quarter and then reported him to Policeman Kelly. In the meantime Ecenezer Is, Valentine, the cashler of the White Elephant, had also nonlied the policeman. When the tramp saw the policeman he jumped on a car and rode to the Grand Hotel. T. W. Cameron, manager of the stock exchange at the White Elephant, testified that the prisoner saked for alms to get to his friends in Penasylvania. The prisoner said he would take care of his own case. He called up the witnesses and asked them if they did not see him offer a bracelet for sale. His examination ran along in this pure old English way:

Did I not act the part of a gentleman, even if I did solies!? I sak you, Mr. Cashler of the White Elsphant, Well, one kind of a man-hardly a gentleman. Did you ever see me patronize the bar?

ad you ever see me play billiards ? No. 18 I got fired out and had my pants torn? (Heavy count on the "pants.")

Yes.
Was you the man what gave that order?
No, I put you out myself. That was Feb. 15. I re-Benjamin F. Payne, the colored porter at the White Elephant, was next called, and the tramp started away in this fashion:

Well, how do you spell your name?
Parynne. Oh! not Parine. I have a kindred recollection of you before—it is Parynne.
You are the man who three me out of the White Elephant and tore my pants? (Strong accent on the 'panta.')
I am. Yes.
Who gave you that order?
Mr. Lawrence.
Is he here?

Mr. Lawrence. Is he have? No. (Here the tramp noted down the name of Mr. Lawrence, as he remarked, I want to see that gentleman.) Lawrence, as he remarked, I want to see that gentleman.)
Joseph J. Arnold had only one ambitton, he wanted to convince the Court that he had always acted like a gentleman.
The policeman who arrested him said: "You ran away when you saw me coming." "I always do when I see a policeman in a particular hurry to get near me," he answered. The tramp admitted that he was the man who got money from passengers in an clevated car, but said he offered to sell bracelets, one of which he exhibited. Arnold said he was sent to State prison for three years and a half by Judge Gildersleeve for stealing a diamond pin and he asked that the Justice go light with him. He was sentenced to three months' imprisonment.

FELL WITH A BULLET IN HIS TEMPLE.

The Captain of An Illegal Oysterman She in a Fight with Police. [SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.]

BALTIMORE, Feb. 19.—The battles between the oyster police boats of Maryland and the dredgers who are on forbidden ground have been very frequent lately, but as a general thing no blood has

Chinamen have a laundry at No. 463 West Fifty-first street, and attend the Sunday school in Fitty-first street. They are Quong Sing, Lee Long and Wong Kee. At Lexington avenue and Fifty-third street they were attacked by the rumans, led by Henry Nealls, of No. Sil Second avenue. The Chinamen tried to escape and run, but were overtaken, and Nealls clinched Lee Long and both fell. The other roughs set on Sing and Kee, who made a stubborn resistance, and as the Chinamen were getting the best of it a well-dressed young man struck Lee Long with his heavy-neaded cane, felling him to the sidewalk. He then struck Quong Sing, badly cutting his face. The Chinamen then ran away, followed by Nealls, who was arreated and locked up. He and the Chinamen will appear in the Yorkville court this morning.

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> There Isn't Much Doubt that It is Crude Petroleum and the New Egyptians are Talking of Syndicates—A Trip to the Jersey Oll Field-The Writer Sample Tenberry Jack," the Local Beverage.



ARGE quantities of of have been struck in New Egypt, N. J., and the natives, citizens, denivens and inmates of New Egypt are happy as clams in consequence. Where is New Egypt? It is in the gentle reader, and the county is so called be cause it isn't within scores of miles of the

Atlantic. A few thousand years before Cleopatra set up her famous stone needle on the backs of four copper crabs, all that vast tract of level, mucky earth now com-prised in Ocean County, N. J., and the counties adjacent thereunto, was at the bottom of the ocean. Scientists say so, and back up their asser tions by pointing with more or less pride to the seeth, bones and other fossil remains of sharks, snarks, swordfish, jabberwacks;and other awfu creatures that are dug up now and then in the neighboring mari pits. Up to the present discovery of petroleum gushing from the bosom of the earth, New Egypt was

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